

Ache Yi language

Ache (Chinese: 阿车) is a Loloish language spoken by the Yi people of south-central Yunnan, China. *Ethnologue* lists *Azhe* as an alternate name.

Demographics

Ache is spoken in Shuangbai County (pop. 23,000), Yimen County (pop. 11,100),^[3] Eshan County, and Lufeng County. Yunnan (1955) reports that their autonym in Xinping County is *nei tsu t p^hu J*.^[4]

Classification

Ethnologue classifies Ache as a Southeastern Loloish language, and lists 35,000 speakers as of 2003. Ache has not been analyzed in classifications of Southeastern Loloish by Pelkey (2011) and Lama (2012), and hence remains unclassified within the Loloish branch.

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Ache	
Native to	China
Ethnicity	Yi
Native speakers	35,000 (2003) ^[1]
Language family	Sino-Tibetan (Tibeto-Burman) - Lolo–Burmese - Loloish - Nisoish - Southeastern Loloish? Ache
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	yif
Glottolog	ache1244 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/ache1244) ^[2]

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